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Building St. Peter's.

St. Peter's, Rome, was three and a half centuries in construction, and during this time 43 popes reigned.

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THE BIRDS' CHRISTMAS TREE.

To make a birds' Christmas tree, take an evergreen, if possible, but any kind of tree will do if you tie the shavings of wheat, corn-stalks and evergreen branches all over it to make it dense. If it is a large tree, plant it securely in a partially protected place. A small tree can be put on the feeding shelf outside your window. Hang on it wire baskets filled with spot, boxes with contents removed, containing nut meats, millet, sunflower-seeds, wheat, cracked corn, breadcrumbs, rolled oats, etc. Coconut shells cut in half and filled with dates that the birds love can also be hung from the branches. Have several shelves on which place apples, berries, cabbage and vegetables.

In all cold districts, have at least one or two deep boxes almost filled with cotton, where the half-frozen birds can find shelter and warmth. Many birds suffer from thirst during the winter. Heat a brick or horse stone and place a pan of water on it.

The Real Christmas.

The real Christmas is an invisible presence, a joyful glance of the eye, a whispered expansion of the heart, a sense of comradeship with all mankind. It is an abandonment of our selves to all good impulses and an almost reckless waste of good feeling and generosity and love, and no army of pessimists can banish that kind of Christmas from our hearts.

Under the Holly Bough.

Ye who have scorned each other,
Or injured friend or brother,
In this fast-fading year,
Ye who by word or deed
Have made a hard heart bleed,
Come gather here!

Let stained garments and sinning
Forget their strife's beginning,
And join in friendship now.
Be links no longer broken
Be sweet friendships spoken
Under the holly bough.

—Charles Mackay

Very True.

Many-going men are apt to spend in such ways as to find

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The Christmas Goose

By CELIA E. CHUTE



LOMON, the Caruthers' goose, had grown so plump and so pompous that it seemed as if he must be aware that great things were expected of him at the holiday dinner, and was doing his best to fulfill expectations. "Solomon is almost as much of a responsibility as Johnnie," Mrs. Caruthers said one day, when her husband was extricating Solomon from a tight place in the poultry yard fence. "I begin to be afraid that having him so much on our minds and in our company may affect our appetites for our Christmas dinner."

As the holiday approached the whole yard began to look small for Solomon. Carrie Caruthers, coming in one day from a walk, complained that he had strenuously objected to making way for her on the walk. "Really, mother, it makes me feel as if we oughtn't to eat him," she said, coloring a little. "He seems too human."

"Dear me, child!" said Mrs. Caruthers hurriedly. "Don't mention that before Johnnie."

The next afternoon Johnnie came running into the house in great excitement. "The Leonard dog is chasing Solomon!" he wailed. "Muvver, come and make him go home!"

Mrs. Caruthers looked out. Solomon was certainly having a perilous adventure. The Leonard dog was circling about him, making vicious charges. Nothing but the spreading of Solomon's formidable wings and his harsh cries saved him. "My! what a dreadful dog!" exclaimed Mrs. Caruthers, hurrying to the rescue.

There was a scuffling squawking from the terrified goose.

"Muvver! Muvver!" cried Johnnie, bursting into heartrending wails.

Mrs. Caruthers picked up a stick and made a motion of throwing it. "Go home!" she commanded sternly.

The dog spread his feet and shook his head. "How-waw!" he returned indignantly.

She threw the stick. It seemed to be the only thing she could do.

The Leonard dog whirled around in an anguish of pain and astonishment. Then, realizing that he had been worsted, he departed on three legs for his kennel.

"You hit him, muvver! You hit him!" exclaimed Johnnie.

The frightened goose sat hunched under a tree, his head buried in his back. Some of the feathers were gone from his tail, and patches of fluffy down were blowing about the yard.

"Blest if I can see what there is about that goose to fascinate an entire family," said Mr. Caruthers, appearing suddenly behind them. "If you don't look out, Lucy, you'll be refusing your favorite hip slice when Christmas comes."

Hip slice! Solomon's hip slice! Mrs. Caruthers could scarcely restrain a shudder as she glanced at the heap of feathers huddled in a corner. What a cannibalistic vision! "Oh, please, Austin, don't speak of it!" she begged. "Tell father what happened, dear."

Johnnie, incoherent from agitation, told the story of the attack and res-



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ende, "Muvver frew a stick at him," he ended, smiles breaking out at the entrancing recollection. "It hurt his leg. He could only run on free legs. He went home awful fast, didn't he, muvver?"

Just then Carrie Caruthers and a young man came around the corner of the house and came to join them. Johnnie observed young Doctor Arnold with interest. The day before he had heard his Aunt Eunice call the doctor a "foregone conclusion." He watched him narrowly, trying to discover how a "foregone conclusion" differed from other men. He thought, on the whole, that it would be rather nice to be on friendly terms with a "foregone conclusion," so he moved nearer and timidly announced that Solomon was a Christmas goose.

"He's a splendid big fellow," said the young doctor heartily. "How much of him do you think you can eat?"

The little face he was looking at contracted suddenly and painfully. It was the first time Johnnie had realized that Christmas meant eating Solomon! Actually eating him! He was filled with the most passionate repulsion. "I won't eat him! Nobody's going to eat him! I won't let anybody eat him!" The whirlwind of defiance ended in a burst of tears.

Mrs. Caruthers put her arm around her grieving son. "Nobody shall eat Solomon," she whispered.

"Farver would."

"Not when he knows how you feel about it. Don't cry any more about it, dear."

In her absorption in Johnnie Mrs. Caruthers did not hear Doctor Arnold say to Carrie Caruthers: "Wouldn't it be a kindness to the child to draw attention from him? Carrie—give me leave, won't you?"

"Oh, if it's necessary for Johnnie's peace of mind I suppose you may," said Carrie, blushing rosy.

"Say, Johnnie," said Doctor Arnold, "did you know that I'm thinking of carrying Carrie off to my house so that there'll be plenty of room for Solomon here?"

Johnnie noticed that this remark seemed to strike his mother dumb. To him, personally, it did not seem an altogether objectionable arrangement, although he thought it very foolish for Doctor Arnold not to know that there was room enough for Solomon and Carrie, too, in that great house. "Carrie ain't going off to your house to live," he said sternly. "I won't let her."

"Oh, is that so?" said the doctor. "I hardly know what to do about it, then, for I've asked her and she said she was willing to go."

Johnnie turned an unbelieving eye on his sister. It was a shock when



"Carrie Ain't Going Off to Your House to Live."

she nodded yes. He did not for an instant believe it. He was sure that Carrie was afraid; that she did not dare say anything but yes to such a big, determined person as the young doctor. But he was not afraid if Carrie was. He'd show him! He'd tell him something he knew about him!

"You're a forgoone 'fustion!" he shouted wrathfully; "that's what you are! Aunt Eunice!"

"Johnnie!" Mrs. Caruthers seized him so violently that the end of the preposterous assertion was shaken into inaudibility. It had been to her that Aunt Eunice had made the statement, and her heart died within her when she heard it on Johnnie's lips. "We'll talk about it some other time, dear," she said, trying to smile down her affronted son's ire and conscious that Carrie and Doctor Arnold were gazing at her in amazement. "Don't you think we had better be getting Solomon's supper now?"

It was an unlucky remark, Johnnie's face puckered. "I don't want anybody to eat Solomon," he reiterated miserably.

"Austin," Mrs. Caruthers called to her husband, who was coming out of the garage. "Come here, please. This may as well be settled now."

"What's the matter now, sonny boy?" asked Mr. Caruthers, approaching.

"I don't want anybody to eat Solomon, farver."

"Don't worry," said Mr. Caruthers in his cheerful tone. "I've changed my mind. I think turkey will suit us all better than goose for our Christmas dinner this year, and I'm going to order the biggest and fattest turkey I can find in the market and Solomon shall live forever. How will that suit you, Johnniekins?"

"I like that," declared Johnnie, polishing his tear-wet but radiant face on his sleeve.

Had Nothing on Her.

It was Christmas week and the janitor was on his usual round wishing his patrons the compliments of the season, hoping of course, to be remembered in some way.

He came to the door of a new tenant and on it being opened he wished the lady the usual compliments, at the same time adding: "I'm the man that empties the garbage can."

"Thank you, same to you," was her reply; "and I'm the lady that fills it."

A Regular Christmas Feeling.
"Oh, Mr. Flipperley," she exclaimed soulfully, "have you ever felt a dim, uneasy sense of oppression as if the mere weight of life were a burden too heavy to be borne by the chained spirit panting with psychic longing to be free?"

"I invariably have such a feeling at Christmas time," was the callous response; "but hitherto I have attributed it to pudding!"

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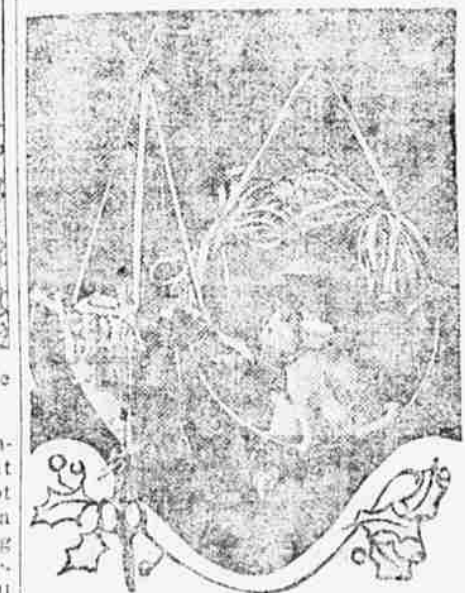
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Ribbon Sewing Sets



Above are pictured two pretty sewing or darning sets which are intended to hang somewhere conveniently on a wall or be suspended from some place of vantage on the bedroom furniture. At the right of the picture an embroidery hoop is wound with narrow satin ribbon and decorated with bows having many long loops. A thimble, spool of thread, every bag and needle case are all tied to the hoop or suspended from it. The small bit of cloth, much dressed up with a bow of ribbon on the neck, carries darning needles in its side and large pins along its back. A little tinkling silver bell hangs on the ribbon about its neck.

At the left two heart-shaped pieces of cardboard covered with figured satin are sewed together along the sides forming a pocket open at the top which will hold needles, pins and other things. A spool of black and a spool of white thread are fastened to the front of the pocket with a ribbon. Small scissors are suspended at the bottom, a thimble is placed at the left and a glove darning at the right. Large pins with white heads finish off the edge of the pocket and a few safety pins are suspended on a bit of ribbon at the center.

Strange Result of Explosion.
Western paper: "The explosion, which occurred at the gasoline tannet threw the 4,000 employees of the plant into a panto."—Boston Transcript.

—CHAPO for chapped hands and face—35 cents per bottle, at Lefler's.



Lefler's Drug Store, Hayti, Mo.

Worth Remembering.

Here is a good thing to remember: "When you get sore at the world, don't forget that it will not hurt the world at all, while it may do you irreparable harm." You are but a very small part of this old world and it will wear along just about as well without you as with you, so your complaints are not going to make so very much difference after all. Better keep sweet and do what you can to make conditions better instead of getting grouchy because things do not go to suit you. "The cheerful eye gets farther than the grouchy."

For instance, Other things are sources of the teeth of a grouchy person.

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